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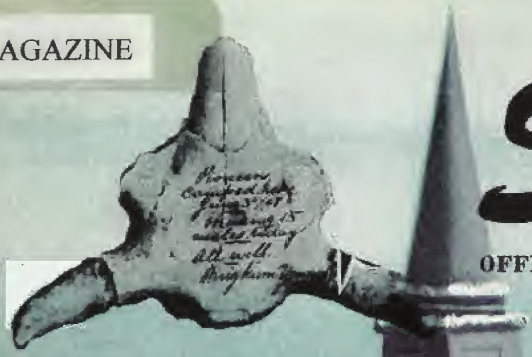

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SUGAR HOUSE BIG ATTRACTION—Free Parking is a big asset in historic Sugar House. This lot is located where original Sugar Mill once stood.

"SWEETEST SPOT ON EARTH"

SUGAR HOUSE GAINS FAME AS PROGRESSIVE COMMERCIAL CENTER

By D. James Cannon

Sugar House's "centerpiece," the Plaza Monument at 21st South and 11th East streets—is a lovely memorial to America's first sugar mill and the interesting industrial beginnings of the Sugar House area.

Designed by Millard F. Malin and dedicated Nov. 17, 1934, the Plaza Monument is significantly located directly over Parleys Creek (now running underground through Sugar House's central business section), which furnished the power in early days for the pioneer industries located on and near its banks.

Fern Smoot Hansen, a decendant of Margaret "Ma" Smoot who is credited with giving Sugar House its famous name, tells us that Sugar House had the following industrial "firsts" in the intermountain area.

1. First Flour Mill in Utah.
2. First Beet Sugar Mill.
3. First Paper Mill.
4. First Bucket, Churn, Tub and Barrel Factory, 1858.
5. First Nail Factory (erected at site of Hygeia Ice Plant).
6. First Woolen and Carding Mills 1860.
7. First Cotton Gin, 1860.
8. First Glass Button Factory, 1860.
9. First Iron Foundry, 1858.
10. First Chemical and Powder Works, 1857.
11. First Match Factory (matches called "Findley's Lucifers"), 1854.
12. First Tannery, 1860 .
13. First Brigham Young's Cocoonery and Mulberry Tree Farm.

Although the first settler came to Canyon Creek (now Parleys) in **1848**, Sugar House notes its official beginning on April 23, 1854, when the L.D.S. ward received the name "Sugar House" in honor of the sugar mill then being built.

The sugar mill built on Parleys creek, just east of where Keith O'Brien now stands in Sugar House, never did produce graulated sugar—only molasses. In spite of this failure, its establishment is one of the great stories of the pioneering west. It also paved the way for the eventual success of the beet sugar industry in America.

EARLY LEADER A. O. Smoot built and managed original Sugar Mill. Husband of "Ma" Smoot.

NAME-GIVER Margaret "Ma" Smoot gave Sugar House its now famous name.

From its beginning, Sugar House has always been an important commercial center. A remarkable progressive spirit has earned national attention for Sugar House. Today it is noted for its modern white-way lighting system, its colorful retail promotions, and its generally cooperative spirit.

In the past three years it has undergone a tremendous commercial expansion. For many years it was known mainly as a big retail furniture center, but now it has added department stores and specialty shops of all kinds to give shopping variety.

Sugar House has attracted one large, and several smaller medical dental centers. It has some important manufacturing establishments located near the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad track spur in Sugar House.

It is known as "a city within a city" because it is actually part of incorporated Salt Lake City, but it has its own chamber of commerce, Rotary, Lions and Kiwanis Clubs, post office, police and fire station and library.

YESTERYEAR—This building, modernized and remodeled, still stands at Southwest corner of 21st South and 11th East.

Sons of Utah Pioneers Salute the Pioneers of Sugar House

You stoked up the pot-belly stove at the store.

There was lots of good water — if you pumped it.

The old Monarch range and cast iron kettles cooked deliciuos suppers.

On Saturday night galvanized tubs and water from the cast iron teakettle.

In these priceless views photographed this summer at Pioneer Village Museum, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. (Charley) Winn, long-time member of the Utah Copper Division, Kennecott Copper Corporation, show a softer, more ease-loving generation, the kind of life grandfather and grandmother lived while they were creating the glorious heritage that is now ours.

Ma and Pa played the gramaphone. Their favorite record was "Uncle Josh at the Fair."

Life in Sugar House at the turn of the century was flavored with the Three R's — Rich, Rugged and Rewarding.

On Saturdays you drove Grandma to town in the single seater buggy.

Sweet oil, spirits of hartshorn, lobilia and arnica were ma's common remedies that she purchased at the drug store.

When company called it was always received in the "parlor" which was always cold and 'no man's land' for kids.

With the fall of night lamps were lit, and we gathered in the kitchen or living room to read and knit.

Grandma was as modern as tomorrow morning's paper with her automatic washer, and she made her own soap.

When grandpa wanted to read the mail order catalog he retired to the little house in the rear.

GRANT DAY AT VILLAGE, RECORD BREAKER

An estimated 2000 persons visited Pioneer Village Museum Sunday, November 25, to see the new Heber J. Grant collection. The collection of personal effects, letters, furniture, clothing, etc., is housed in a sixteen-foot recessed case on the second floor of the Administration Building, for permanent display.

An hour-long program included a eulogy by Thomas G. Judd; presentation of the collection by Grant W. Midgley, a grandson of the late Heber J. Grant, president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Horace A. Sorensen accepted the gift on behalf of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

Torleif S. Knaphus, Utah--Norwegian sculptor, unveiled a new bust of President Grant. (A bust by Avard Fairbanks, commissioned some years ago by the daughters of Grant, was included in the gift from the Grant family.)

Recordings of President Grant's singing voice were played, and special music was by the Beesley String Trio and Mrs. Howard Bowlby.

Famous names were sprinkled liberally over the Village Museum guest book for the occasion. Well-known visitors included Clifford E. Young, assistant to the Council of Twelve; U. S. Senator Wallace F. Bennett; U. of U. Presidentt, A. Ray Olpin, L. David Hiner. Dean of the U. of U. College of Pharmacy; J. Spencer Cornwall, Tabernacle Choir conductor; County Commissioner Ed. Q. Cannon, and hundreds of descendants of Jedediah M. Grant, father of Heber J. Grant.

Huntsville Chapter, SUP, sent a delegation of eight members, and Golden Spike Chapter was represented by a like number. Chapters officially represented were Temple Fork, South Cottonwood, Buena Ventura, Ben Lomond, Sugar House, East Mill Creek, Temple Quarry, Ogden-Weber.

Lois A. and Bryant S. Hinckley visit Pioneer Village Museum on November 25, to see the Heber J. Grant Collection unveiled.

The priceless Heber Jeddy Grant Collection at Pioneer Village Museum that was unveiled by his seven living daughters November 25, 1956. This compre hensive collection of President Grant was given to the Village Museum by all of the descendants of Jedediah M. Grant. It is the most complete collection thus far acquired by the sons of Utah Pioneers.

EULOGY TO HEBER JEDDY GRANT

—Given at Pioneer Village Museum, November 25, 1957 by Thomas G. Judd.

Thomas G. Judd

The words we speak here today in eulogy of Heber Jeddy Grant cannot but sound feeble and inadequate when they are measured against the towering monument that was his life.

His was a life, so full, so completely vital, and one which influenced for good the lives of so many others, that we approach the privilege of paying him tribute with a real sense of awe.

In describing Heber J Grant, his origins; the high goals he set for himself; his achievements; the lasting imprint he left in wide span of endeavors . . . to describe all this . . . one is tempted to call upon several of our language's all-inclusive superlatives and let it go at that.

Even a casual study of Heber Grant's life evokes words like great, firm, vital, determined, devoted, earnest, enobling, inspiring. Yes, even a casual study brings the realization that his life was in essence one great superlative.

His father died less than a month after his birth, leaving his mother in straightened circumstances. Yet, in his early teens he was vowing to build his mother a fine home and surround her with the comforts of life. And before he was 25 he had done this.

The great, moving force in his life was his relationship with his God and his Church. Here, too, he stood out from the crowd. He was a stake president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints before he was 24 years of age. He had been chosen a member of the ruling body of the church, the Council of the Twelve Apostles, before he had turned 26. Before he had reached 45 he had organized a mission for the LDS Church in far-off Japan and three years later was presiding over the Church's missions in Great Britain and Europe. He became president of the Church in 1918 and led it during its greatest period of growth and influence until 1945 when he died at the age of 88. Stories about his devotion to the sick and the poor and the lonely are legend.

Even in his family life, Heber Grant was several cuts above what we deem average. He had three wives, 12 children, 51 grandchildren, 131 great grandchilden and last evening at a family dinner honoring the hundredth anniversary of his birth, it was pointed out that there are today 201 direct de-

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cendants of Heber Jeddy Grant.

For most of us some measure of accomplishment in a single field of endeaver is cause enough for pride. And yet, as we have said, this man excelled at whatever he did—right straight across the board. We have already mentioned his church leadership and his eminence as a family man. His prowess in athletics is well known. He played professional league baseball when in his teens. He was still playing golf at an age when many a less vital man has given up the pace of the fairway for a soft chair near the fire. He loved music both as a listener and participant. He was the chief patron of several Utah artists.

In the business world, too, Heber Grant's successes were outstanding. But we would not do him justice if we did not also mention . . . as he often did himself . . . that he also suffered some truly pre-eminent business failures. To illustrate, let me quote from a tribute paid Heber Grant by his business associates in 1938 on his 82nd birthday—

"He has seen ambitions swept aside and business ventures crushed, but was never found without courage to carry on. He has seen personal wealth change to staggering debt overnight, but yet has refused the legal protection of bankruptcy, preferring to work through years of deprivation, and his family with him, to pay off every dollar of obligation.

"Save only Brigham Young, perhaps no man has organized more industries and economic enterprises in the inland west than Heber J. Grant. His name appears upon the officers' and directors' rosters of banks, railroads, insurance companies, implement houses, mercantile institutions, and manufacturing enterpries . . . not only because he is the leader of a world-wide people . . . but because he has always stood with and for industry, economic integrity and individual security, more than any other living man, he symbolizes growth in the west from the old to the new . . . "

Grant Family Committee on arangements for presentation of Heber J. Grant Collection to SUP Museum: Heber G. Taylor, Irene Cannon Lloyd, Grant W. Midgley, Wallace G. Bennett.

(Committe members not in photo: Edna Boyle Clawson, Willard R. Smith, Miriam Young Farnsworth and Augusta Judd Bullen.

Also not shown in picture, Mrs. Grant Marsha Midgley, the Committee's unofficial "executive secretary on arrangements."

While observing the greatness of the man whom we honor today, we would do him a disservice if we did not also dwell on that part of Heber Grant's life which, for want of a better description, we shall call the human side. It is gratifying to know that like you and me, he had his likes and dislikes and his occasional prejudices which led him into an occasional mistake.

Aunt Anna Midgley recalls an amusing story on this point.

This incident occurred when smallpox vaccination was a comparatively new development in medical science. Heber Grant appeared at his home one evening to announce with typical firmness and decision that the family should prepare for an immediate trip to California. "The Salt Lake Board of Health," he said 'is attempting to have everyone in town vaccinated in the next three months. I do not believe in vaccination. Therefore we shall go to California for three months." The group which left by train for California a short time later consisted of Heber, his family of daughters and his 80-year old mother. Each daughter was outfitted with a streamer rug in which she carried her belongings suspended by a shoulder strap. After the train trip down from Salt Lake, the party disembarked at San Francisco to spend the night at the Palace Hotel. They made, as Aunt Ann remembers it, quite a picture as they marched single file into

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GREETINGS
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the hotel to register. The following day they entrained for Pacific Grove where they spent a delightful three months waiting out the Salt Lake Board of Health.

But the important thing about the occasional mistakes Heber Grant made was that he was the first to admit them. Hence, it was that shortly after the family returned from the three month's sojourn in California, they were all vaccinated.

One of the pleasant experiences of being a grandson of this wonderful man was that you had a chance to be his chauffeur when you turned 16 and old enough to get a driver's license. He did not enjoy driving himself. One of those rare mistakes he made happened when he attempted to drive an automobile. He ended up against the fence and never drove again. However, when we, as his grandsons, took the job of driving him, he gave counsel if he felt it was needed. For instance, he was apt to lean forward from the back seat and after observing the spedometer say, "My friend, the speed limit here is 45 miles an hour. You're doing 50. "Or, he might say, "My friend, you just passed a stop sign. Go back and try again." ' He always began these mild chidings with "My friend." The story is told of Briant Smith, who, after his first trip out as a driver for grandfather, was asked by his father, Willard, how he'd done. "Fine," said the delighted Briant. "He only called me his friend three times!"

Bishop L. Burt Bigler of West Jordan brings B. Y. U. students from Florida to witness unveiling of President Grant Collection. L to r.: Miss Janice Opp, Bishop Bigler, Miss Lila Lee LeVar, and Jeddy LeVar.

I'm sure that all of us can recall similar stories about Heber Grant that bring out the humorous and the lovable side of this noble man, but now it is time to sum up.

And so it is with the life of Heber J. Grant. The lesson of his life, whether you observe it in the love and the devotion and the leadership he gave to his church, to his family, to business, to sports, or to any other of the pursuits he followed . . . the lesson of Heber J. Grant's life is this: "There is no substitute for integrity."

SUP NAMES IN THE NEWS

Two Utahns, one a member of SUP, were recently honored by the American Ceramics Society Journal. Dr. Carl J. Christensen and Dr. Harold P. Cahoon co-authored a paper, "Sintering and Grain Growth of Alpha-Alumina" which was published in a recent issue of the Journal.

Dr. Christensen, immediate past president of SUP Luncheon Club in Salt Lake City, is director of cooperative research and professor of chemistry, ceramics and metallurgy at the University of Utah.

Dr. Cahoon received his Ph. D. from the U. of U., and is now plant manager at Interstate Brick Company.

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1957 Membership Drive Needs Your Help

One of the paramount features of our New Year Membership Drive for more Sons, is President Horace Sorensen's personal appeal to all present members to sign up at least one new member before March 31st.

Just think what this would mean if every one of us got out of the old rocking chair and really spent a couple of hours on the telephone or in a personal visit! This alone, would result in a 100% increase.

Why are we so complacent? Why are we content to "just belong" and do so little in getting others to join, too? Why can't we . . . just this once . . . really spend some time and bring in AT LEAST ONE OTHER SUP MEMBER?

President Sorensen has directed that a SHORT FORM SUP APPLICATION BLANK be leafed in to each December issue of SUP NEWS. Perhaps you have already found it. It was placed in this issue ESPECIALLY FOR YOUR PERSONAL USE.

NOW PLEASE NOTE THIS SUGGESTION: In order to make the recruiting of your new member easy, we suggest that you merely sign him up as a "Member-at-Large" without immediate chapter affiliation. This will make it possible for him to join for only $5, whereas he might not be interested if we also ask for chapter dues at the same time.

Let's get him IN first . . .then we can work on him for chapter afiiliation. The SUP NEWS will publish in the spring issues, the names and addresses of all "At-Large" members so that chapters may contact each member practicable, and urge that they also join the chapter.

RIGHT NOW IT SEEMS THE EASIEST ROAD IS MERELY TO ASK FOR "MEMBERSHIP-AT-LARGE," get your prospect's $5 and send application AND remittance direct to Executive Secretary, at Pioneer Village, 2998 South 2150 East, Salt Lake City 9, Utah.

Golden Spike Chapter, SUP at Pioneer Village Museum for Heber J. Grant Collection unveiling, November 25, 1956. Seated, l. to r.: J. J. White, (old time blacksmith . . . and one of the few living "Cattle Shoers" in the country), Frank Munns, President; William Hurd. Standing: Joseph C. Gibbs, Myron Giles, Aubrey F. Turley, Mirl R. Mason, and Alvin Norr.

CHAPTER BELLS AND CHARTERS

By now . . . EVERY CHAPTER should have received from the National office, the following:

1—A handsomely engraved and framed charter, bearing the names of present or charter members of the chapter and current officers.

2—A hundred-year-old brass hand bell suitably engraved for use by the presiding officer.

Not all chapters have as yet requested a charter . . . and in some instances the charters that were originally presented to the chapter were not accurate and required re-doing.

We now have a new supply of bells and plenty of blank charter certificates. There is no excuse now for chapters not to be in possession of these official accouterments, and we urge all chapter presidents and chapter secretaries concerned TO IMMEDIATELY INFORM THE NATIONAL OFFICE which of these two items your chapter misses. We will immediately comply with your wishes and provide either bell or charter . . . or both. BUT DO IT NOW.

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FOREIGN STUDENTS ENTERTAINED AT VILLAGE MUSEUM

Ten foreign students and some fifty local folks gathered at Pioneer Village Museum Saturday, November 24, for a typical pioneer Thanksgiving dinner.

The affair was sponsored by East Mill Creek Chapter, SUP, Franklin D. Richards, president; and East Mill Creek Camp, DUP, Mrs. Julian Neff, captain. Arrangements were made through American Field Service, the organization which brought the students from Europe to the United States.

Authentic pioneer recipes were used for roast buffalo, and all the trimmin's.

After dinner, the young folks were oriented into the art of American square dancing.

Special guests were a number of Salt Lake students who had spent a summer in Europe under the American Field Service program.

Young people, foreign and local, included Ritta-Luisa Bjork, Jody Ray, Violetta Ceiga Fernandez, Carla Morris, Marie-Noelle Hotellier, Bonnie Brothers, Guiseppe Leanza, David Sundwall, Silke Katherine Neilsen, Jane and Judy Coombs, Paolo Oliva, Nancy Martin, Javier Salinas, Michael O'Keefe, Froydis Solomon, Joie Kellerblock, Pietro Semandeni, Alarik Myrin, Sigeki Tsuijyama and Barbara Davies.

Foreign students visiting pioneer village museum seated, left to right: Riita-Luisa Bjork, Finland; Silke Katherine Nielsen, Germany; Paola Oliva, Italy; Violetta Veiga Fernandez, Spain; standing, left to right: Sigeki Tsuiyama, Japan; Froydis Solomon, Norway; Peter Semandeni, Switzerland; Marie Noelle Hotellier, France; Giseppe Leanza, Sicily; Xavier Salinas, Boliva.

American Field Service works under the philosophy that better understanding of other nations will come if young people learn to know the people of other countries. To this end hundreds of high school students are brought to the United States each year to attend school and live with an American family. Conversely, American students travel to Europe to live with a European family for a summer.

Another Brigham Young Chapter Historical Trek

Historic Millard County was trekked by Brigham Young Chapter on Oct. 27.

Fourteen members made the trip, stopping to see what is claimed to be the first Mormon dam; old Fort Deseret, which figured prominently in the Black Hawk War; and the site where Indians killed Capt. John W. Gunnison and his small band of surveyors, in 1853.

The group, headed by president Gustive O. Larson, also viewed the marker in Delta, on the Escalante trail, and the **Sentinel of the Desert,** an igneous rock formation.

Trekkers included Dr. Jay Hunt, Dr. Evan Croft, Prof. J. Wyley Sessions, Dr. Russell Swenson, Prof. William Snell, Dr. and Mrs. Angus Woodbury of the U. of U., Dr. and Mrs. Vasco Tanner, Dr. and Mrs. Jesse Weight, Judge and Mrs. George Balliff.

Millard County residents who joined the trek at Delta include E. J. Eliason, who served as guide; his son, county attorney Eliason; and President Black of the local DUP Camp.

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We will send this personal invitation two different times, as a "leaf-in" in the SUP NEWS.

If chapters will attend to this and get their lists in early . . . and if chapters will assign each chapter member three, or five, or ten of the names on the list TO PERSONALLY CALL ON AND WORK WITH DURING JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH, we will guarantee the chapter will sign up more new members by twice over than in any other four-month period in its history.

Huntsville Chapter, SUP, attend unveiling of the Heber J. Grant Collection at Pioneer Village, Nov. 25. Seated, l. to r.: James Peterson, J. W. Farrell, J. Earl Felt (President), Donald D. McKay. Standing: Burns H. Wangsgard, Ray M. Wangsgard, Leland C. Richardson, Dale Newey.

Cyrene N. Bagley Family Give Pony Express Items To Museum

The Cyrene N. Bagley family of Salt Lake City and Callao, have honored Pioneer Village Museum with a gift of some very rare items including:

Two original 40-foot hewn poles of the 1861 Transcontinetal Telegraph line.

A quantity of the original line wire that was used on the first transcontinental line, made of "puddled iron" with the result that cut ends fray like split hairs. Also included are the strange flat "Transcontinental Splice" and several glass insulators.

The case of a clock that orginally told time in the Willow Springs Station of the Overland Stage route, and later kept time in the Willow Springs Pony Express Station.

Salt Lake Luncheon Club Honors Village Museum

We are delighted to acknowledge recepit of a $100 check from our big, progressive Salt Lake Luncheon Club chapter. But let us quote from the nice note of Brother Albert J. Elggren, treasurer, that accompanied it: "Enclosed find check for $100 to pay for use of the beautiful grounds at our Mid-Summer Festival. Thanks a million and very best wishes."

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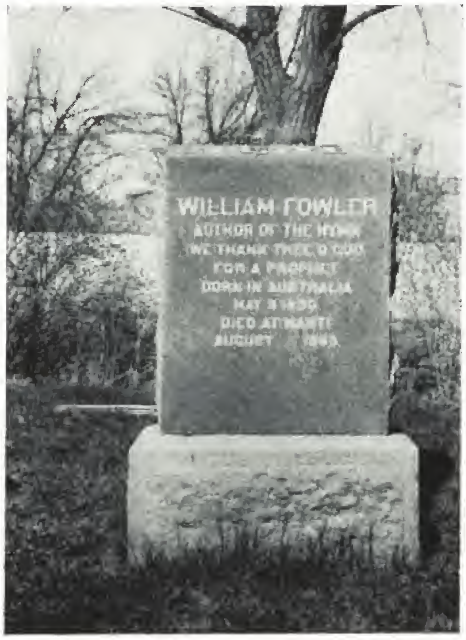

Lonely grave of William Fowler

William Fowler

By Preston Nibley

The Manti Cemetery lies at the foot of the hill on which stands the beautiful Manti Temple. In a quiet corner of this cemetery is a grave, marked by a headstone which apparently was placed there in recent years, as it has every appearance of being new. On it is carved the name of William Fowler—a name little known to members of the Church, and yet it may be said that every member of the Church has sung many times a song which this man wrote, for he was the author of one of our most popular hymns, "We Thank Thee O God for a Prophet."

William Fowler was born on May 9, 1830, in Australia, where his father was serving as a British soldier. When he was nine years of age William returned with his parents to England. They settled at Sheffield, and there the boy joined the Church in 1849, when he was 19 years of age. He served as a local missionary and was active in the Sheffield branch. He wrote the hymn "We Thank Thee O God for a Prophet" in 1862, when he was 32 years of age. It was first sung in the Sheffield branch.

The following year he emigrated to Utah and settled at Manti, where he taught school. Two years later he died, at the age of 35.

The name of William Fowler will never die. It will live for ages in his inspiring hymn, "We Thank Thee O God for a Prophet."

CITIZENSHIP PLAN ASKS FOR SUSTAINING FUNDS FOR PIONEER VILLAGE MUSEUM

This month your national office is calling for 1000 people (men and women) to pledge an annual contribution to Pioner Village Museum to help defray part of the annual maintenance cost of the operation.

People in all walks of life and in all parts of the country are being asked to pledge $15, $25, $35, $50, $75, $100 annually to cover the operation of the museum.

You, too, will be asked.

As our members well know, it costs in excess of $25,000 annually to pay for all the general running expenses of this $250,000 plant.

Not one penny of your annual $2.50 dues goes toward this purpose. Your $2.50 annual national dues do not even cover the postage and ordinary stationary used solely to record your membership status and mail your SUP News.

There are costs for such items as property taxes, fire and liability insurance, gas, light, water, feed for animals, repairs to buildings, cookies and punch for school children, full time salaries for curator, animal caretaker, housekeeper, appointment secretary and considerable extra help throughout the year.

You will receive a personal letter within the next day or so. You will be asked to GIVE. So give what you can. Horace needs your help!

Donors To Pioneer Village Museum Acknowledged

We are very happy to announce, with gratitude, the following substantial bequests to the upkeep of Pioneer Village Museum:

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Personal Collections of Church Leaders Wanted by Pioneer Village Museum

Pioneer Village Museum has high hopes that descendants of our great Church leaders will decide to make the museum t he permanent depository for the family collection of memorabilia of their great ancestor.

The Museum will provide the space and necessary special arrangements to house the collection, and will properly catalogue it and appropriately display it for the edification and joy of the general public.

Among at least a score of our great church leaders, whose families, it is hoped, will some day soon present the museum with a collection of personal effects of their ancestors, are:

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California Chapter Holds President's Night

Our active and hard-hitting California Chapter in Los Angeles held its annual "President's Night" Friday, November 30, with a special banquet and program.

Feature of the occasion was a written and telephoned invitation to President Horace Sorensen to attend, and resulted in Horace, his lovely wife Ethel and their son Maynard and his charming wife flying to Los Angeles Friday afternoon.

Special praise was given the chapter by President Sorensen for its untiring and spectacular work in raising funds for the Fort Moore-Mormon Battalion Monument, and for the renewed interest in membership in SUP that has been sparked by the chapter this fall and winter.

Plans are now underway for a special charter night for the chapter at which time it will receive a large, engraved, vellum charter with all the names of the chapter spread upon it. The chapter will also receive a 100-year-old hand bell for use of presiding officers.

Many new members were secured for the November 30 occasion, and it is believed this is the beginning now of several localized SUP groups in Southern California.

Officers of the Chapter are: John F. Howells, Jr., president; Burton M. Oliver, 1st vice president; Heber G. Harrison, 2nd vice president; Leo J. Muir, secretary; James C. Perkins, chaplain; Romney Stewart, judge-advocate; and Daniel H. McAllister, chairman of the Fort Moore monument committee. The chapter meets Wednesday noons at Jeff's Place; corner of Venice Blvd. and Figueroa.

Daughters of President Heber J. Grant attend Grant Day ceremonies at Pioneer Village Museum, November 25, 1956. Left to right, front row: Mrs. Ashby D. (Dessie) Boyle, Mrs. Zed (Grace) Evans, Mrs. J. George (Anna) Midgley, Mrs. John H. (Rachel) Taylor; Second row: Mrs. George J. (Lucy) Cannon, Mrs. Wallace F. (Francis) Bennett; Third row: Mrs. Willard R. (Florence) Smith.

DELTA CHAPTER BEING ORGANIZED

A preliminary meeting was held in the Stake House at Delta, the night of November 17, for the purpose of organizing a Delta chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

The meeting was called by City Attorney Eliason and was attended by the following National officers: Dr. Jay B. Hunt, National Chairman of Chapter Projects; Karl B. Hale, 3rd National Vice President; Dr. Carl J. Christensen, 1st National Vice President; H. Ward McCarty, Executive Secretary, and Dr. Evan Croft of the Brigham Young ter.

The meeting was attended by five Delta citizens.

Plans and purposes of the National organization were discussed at length and it was agreed that Delta and vicinity should be able to raise a chapter of not less than 75 men by the first of the new year. Applications from interested Millard County residents should be immediately sent in to the National office, 2998 South 2150 East Salt Lake City 9, Utah.

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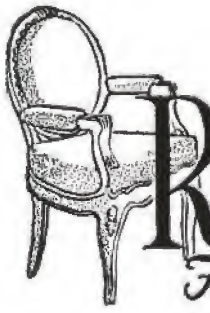

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National Encampment Committee Merits Resolution

The following resolution was unanimously passed by the Executive Board of the National Society at its October meeting:

RESOLUTION

Whereas: The 1956 National Encampment Committee from our three Cache Valley Chapters; Temple Fork, Old Juniper, and Smithfield, under the able and inspired leadership of Committee Chairman Dr. Joel E. Ricks, planned, organized and produced the best National Encampment of our 23-year history, and

Whereas: The attendance at this 1956 encampment was the biggest we have ever had, and

Whereas: The food, entertainment, and guest accommodations were all without previous equal, and

Whereas: The committee, after paying all indebtedness, has remitted its check for $655.55 to the national treasurer, which represents the surplus of revenue over expense, and is the final evidence of a job well done.

Be it therefore Resolved: That the Executive Board of the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers does hereby express its admiration and appreciation to the committee and Dr. Ricks for what it considers a most meritorious job excellently accomplished.

Prominent visitors at Grant Day ceremonies at Pioneer Vilage Museum. L to r.: Mr. and Mrs. Seldon I. Clawson of 105 East East South Temple, and their son, Colonel Irwin Calwson, 515 11th Ave. Brother Seldon is 92 and his charming wife is 87. They were honored this year as the King and Queen of the Salt Lake Old Folks celebration at Liberty Park.

FROM THE GRAPEVINE

We hear from the grapevine: That our big, colorful, hard-riding hard-shooting, and hard-to-beat Weber County Sheriff's Mounted Posse is coming in to the Sons of Utah Pioneers, lock, stock, and high-heeled boots, as a Pony Express Chapter. (We've had a good number of these boys on the roster of SUP's Pony Express Chapter for over a year . . . . but when the whole posse comes in as a unit, Boy, that's good news).

That national chairman of the Sons Pony Express Centennial committee, namely one very fine Ernest R. McKay, is neck deep in correspondence with pony express states from St. Joe to Sacramento, busily lining up states, cities, and interested organizations, in the ground work preparations for the centennial run of the pony in 1960. Good Boy, Ernest . . . we admire the efforts of your committee. (If there ever was a case of the early bird catching the worm, it is in getting this Pony Express organization perfected now . . . . there are only three years remaining.)

That Brother Rulon Morgan and his national committee of Al Smith and Milton Backman who were directed by the National Encampment in July to overhaul our articles of incorporation and bring them up to date with definitions and meets and bounds, plus a better plan for electing officers, and a better spread of officers geographically . . . have had several committee meetings during the fall season and will be ready in January to present a new set of articles and by-laws for the approval of our entire membership. (If all goes well we may be able to cast our vote by mail this July, and permit EVERY MEMBER to express his choice for candidates.)

That our lively, creative, and talent-bright Pioneer Village Theatre chapter has been as busy as one-armed-paper-hangers during the late fall months in polishing up their organization and a half dozen old time plays which they plan to present sometime after January 1st . . . when the first robin returns to the Round House. (Bless their dear little scene-shiftin' hands, we're all for them. We think a Theatre Chapter is just about what the doctor ordered for us. We can scarcely wait to hiss the villian).

That Sugar House and East Mill Creek chapters are the only ones so far who have volunteered to accept an assignment of restoring an old building on the museum property. They have admirably led the way, may the rest of us follow as quickly as possible. (So far, other than the assistance rendered by these two chapters, we have been content to leave the entire burden of building the Pioneer Village Museum to one man . . . how long can he carry it alone?)

That Arthur Grix of Grix, Muller and Plowgen, Ogden Engineers and Architects, is personally drawing the plans for our new administration building to be erected early this spring. (As soon as the administration building is up, we will put the museum on an admission basis to all the public. Perhaps something like 25c for children under 14 and 75c for adults; with special rates for school classes and church groups of small fry. In this way we hope to put the museum on at least a partially sustaining basis.)

That Brother Art Grix might soon be asked to draw plans for an 1848 Pioneer Apothecary Shop (Old Drug Store to me) that will be the wonder and talk of everyone who sees it. (But more on this later.)

That the SUP sponsored "Building Utah" historical articles on the editorial page of the Deseret News Church Section are the talk of the entire Intermountain West. If you miss the first issues, we weep for you. They will be almost impossible to replace. These articles will appear each week for the next 104 weeks. If you teach a class in school, church, or anywhere else, these article will be eye-openers.

Our one and only University Student Campus Chapter, Temple Hill at Brigham Young University, is again active and airborne. Officers of the campus unit are: Dahl Goble, president; Paul Turner, vice president; Dean G. Mott, secretary-treasurer; Clinton Brown, chaplain; and Kenneth Harris, public relations. Professor Oliver Smith of the Journalism Department is faculty advisor for the group, and will personally see that frequent and interesting publicity is obtained for the unit in the Universe and local press.

SUP News has placed the California News, 1023 No. Western Ave., Los Angeles, on the mailing list and we hope Ned Redding, owner and publisher, will assist in getting interest SUP-wise stirred up on the coast.

Pioneer Village has been recently put on the mailing list to receive the **Territorial Enterprise,** published by Lucius Beebe at Virginia City, Nevada; **The Pony Express,** published at Sonoma, California, and Andy Palmer's **Great Guns,** published at Dearborn, Michigan

WAIT A WHILE

By Annie C. Johnson

(Editor's note: Only Annie Johnson could psilosophize like this with such rare good humor. We haven't the slightest idea who the dilatory cuss is that inspired her muse on this occasion.)

My friend have you heard of the Town of Yawn
On the banks of the River Slow
Where blooms the Wait-a-While flower fair
Where the Some-other-time scents the air
And the soft Go-easys grow?

It lies in the valley of What's-the-use?
In the province of Let-her-slide
Its the home of the listless I-don't-care;
Where the Put-it-offs abide.

This town is as old as the human race
And it grows with the flight of years
It's streets are paved with Discord, Screams
And watered with Useless Tears.

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Richards, 1833 S. 2000 East, Salt Lake City (Sometime president of the big Salt Lake Luncheon Club Chapter, SUP) visit the Grant Day Ceremonies at Pioneer Village Museum.

Alma Warr. From photo owned by his niece, Mrs. Julia A. Walther, Elko, Nevada.

MUSEUM GIVEN ALMA WARR'S PHOTO

Alma Warr was founder and owner of the general store in Kamas, Utah. Founded in the 1880's, the store was closed about 25 years ago when Warr died. In 1953 merchandise, fixtures, everything but the stone walls, was boxed and brought to Pioneer Village, where it may be seen today.

Although Mr. Warr had a reputation for stocking fine china, he put the best pieces back in the dark corners. If he didn't like a customer, he just plain couldn't find the item she wanted. If he decided to sell a piece, he took ten to fifteen minutes to move the ordinary china from in front of the choice item wanted.

Merchandise, including foodstuffs, was set on the shelves of the country store in Pioneer Village, just as it was in the store at Kamas.

Warr, a bachelor, kept innumerable cats in the store for company.

This picture was loaned to **SUP NEWS** by Mrs. Julia A. Walther, a niece of Alma Warr.

Original 1880, A. Warr General Store, Kamas; contents and fixtures of which are now on display at Pioneer Village Museum.

BUENA VENTURA ELECTS WHEELWRIGHT PRESIDENT

David R. Wheelwright, 1286 25th St., Ogden, Utah has been elected president of the Buena Ventura Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers for the coming year.

Ofther officers include John Childs, Roy, first vice president and Clyde A. Lindquist, Ogden, second vice president.

Ernest V. Wall, Vernal L. Nielson and James S. McGregor, nominating committee, made the selections. The offices of secretary-treasurer and chaplain will be filled later.

Retiring officers include W. Leonard Knight, David W. Wheelwright, Clyde M. Grix., Aaron U. Merrill, Norman L. Pitt, Elias Dawson and William W. Johnson.

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I REMEMBER

By Elaine Neff Bagley

(Editor's note: Mrs. Louise (Elaine Neff) Bagley, of Los Angeles, California, was awarded Honorary Mention for this Pioneer Story in the 1956 SUP Pioneer Story Contest. She was present at the 1956 Encampment in Logan and read it. We hope you like it as much as we did.)

Grandma

Grandma Benedict was a tiny woman—a Connecticut Yankee. Widowed two months after the family came to Utah, she made her home with us. I think Papa loved grandma as much as Mama did. He was always devoted and kind to his "little mother-in-law."

Grandma was an old lady when I, the youngest child, was born. She would tell us stories, or read for hours. Genie and I used to curl her hair in little corkscrews with a slate pencil heated over the lamp. Miraculously, we seldom burned her. She loved to have us fuss with her hair. She knew hundreds of Mother Goose rhymes and stories.

Grandma had graduated from the college at Norfolk, but still used the peculiar Yankee idioms of speech. She always said "or" for "r". When we swept the kitchen she would remark, "There ain't no dirt where I be," and sit serenely in her corner. Or she would call, "Where be you?"

Grandma went to town twice a year to collect her Z. C. M. I. dividend. Mama went with her, and sometimes one of the girls. They would leave early in the morning and drive the nine miles to town. She took her check to Zion's Savings Bank and demanded gold, always refusing to take "specie." Then she would buy lovely presents for all. It was like Christmas.

In the winter Grandma warmed her bed with hot rocks. After supper she would place them on the back of the stove to warm—four or five round, flat stones. At bedtime each was wrapped carefully in paper and in a cloth tied with a string, then put on the top of two feather beds and between the white woolen blankets. She wore a little white nightcap, made like a baby's bonnet, and a ruffled nightgown. There she lay, circled by her rocky fortress, safe from the winter cold.

The Bishop Empey home that stood on East South Temple Street, at the southwest corner of Second East, Salt Lake City. It was designed by Truman O. Angel, the architect who drew the plans for the Salt Lake Temple. The home was built by Brigham Young.

It was torn down and preserved by the Sons of Utah Pioneers five years ago, and has been moved to Pioneer Village Museum where it will be erected and restored this spring.

Grandma's deafness made conversation difficult, especially in the still night. When I slept with her she invented a method of chatting silently. She would whisper, "Now, pinch my my arm once for 'no' and twice for 'yes.' Be you warm enough? Don't you want this rock to your back?" Settled cozily we chatted until my faltering responses discouraged further questions. Then the little, thin arm was gently withdrawn. We slept.

It fell to my lot to go with Grandma for her walks, because, as Mama pointed out, "She might fall down." Sometimes we would gather firewood in our aprons. That was not so bad, but in the spring time grandma might hanker after greens. She loved a variety—dandelions, dock, mustard, pig weed. red root. Greens invariably had snails on them. Nothing to me was so abhorrent as those slimy snails. I still shudder at the thought of them.

Grandma lived to be ninety - seven years old. I wish my children might have known her.

Housecleaning Time

Our housecleaning followed a stereotyped pattern. Every spring the furniture was moved outside. Carpets were taken up, all tacks removed by a special instrument called a tack puller. The carpet was then thrown over the line and beaten endlessly by "luckless small fry."

The straw which was always placed under carpets, together with the dust was swept up and carried outside. Walls and ceiling were swept with cloth tied over the broom. Woodwork and floors were scrubbed with lye. Then came the part I loved. Baskets of fresh, sweet smelling straw were spread evenly over the floor, so thick you knew the carpet never would cover it. Then the carpet was carefully laid in place and tacked. The last two sides were a challenge. The kneeling tacker pulled the carpet to the wall while suspended in the air. This feat was accomplished by "knee action." The same knees came down to hold the carpet in place while the tacks were driven. Knees, fingers and tempers were badly frayed before the carpet was smoothly laid. But the feel of it under foot—it was like walking on air.

The stoves were taken down, blacked to prevent rust, and stored for the summer. A flowered chimney stop filled the stove pipe hole. The kitchen cook stove was moved to the summer kitchen at the back of the house. Often a late storm would come, but we huddled in the summer kitchen for warmth. Setting up the stoves again was unheard of.

Kitchen, cellar and pantry were freshly whitewashed. Milk was moved from the pantry to the cellar.

Beds were taken apart, inspected and scrubbed. Bed bugs were no respectors of persons. Wooden houses and wooden beds were an open invitation. Shamefaced women fought the scourge with boiling water, lye, kerosene. Peddlers sold little cans of bed bug powder. You pressed the bottom and out of the spout came an evil-smelling concoction that brought tears to my eyes, but scarcely phased the bugs. Feather beds were stored, straw ticks were emptied, washed and refilled.

We were ready for summer.

Tribune photographer Borge B. Anderson and reporter Ray Robinson pose for Horace (Flash) Sorensen, during Grant Day Ceremonies at Pioneer Village Museum, Nov. 25.

The Barn

The Old Barn was built on the creek bank. A bridge spanned the deep channel. It was fun to lie there looking down at the hurrying stream. Soon I and my bridge would be sailing up the creek on an endless voyage.

The barn was built on two levels. The top story of frame was painted red. The center part of the barn was floored with timbers strong enough to hold a team and load of hay. On either side hay was stacked right up to the rafters.

There was a small loft at the back stored with many relics. Uncle Cyruss' boots brought to mind the handsome boy who had sickened and died at Winter quarters.

There was Grandma's spinning wheel, Papa's powder horn and bullet mould, a candle mould, hay forks made entirely of wood; the old muzzle loading rifle that had valiantly served in the Nauvoo Legion.

The basement had thick, rock walls; it was warm in winter. The cows had their stalls there.

When Papa did the evening chores I often held the lantern, sitting on the stairs while he milked.

In the summer the barn was truly a delightful place. The hay was out, hens made their nests in the most unexpected places. There was always a family of kittens, sometimes puppies, the cows were in the pasture and the basement clean and cool.

There is where the geese were plucked. Those geese were my ancient enemies; led by a vile tempered old gander they would rout me from work or play and chase me, hissing, as I made for cover. They could always outrun me—my only recourse was to scream for help, while they fiendishly packed at my redstockinged legs. So it was with immense satisfaction that I regarded my vanquished foes. Each in turn was captured, a black stocking drawn over its head, for obvious reasons and legs tied together. Then, Mama seated on a box, held the goose between her knees, and deftly plucked the down from its breast. When the goose was released it looked very funny in its bare skin, although it seemed just retribution for its sins, I felt a surge of pity.

The goose down stuffed our feather beds and pillows.

Sugar House Chapter always meets and always eats. L. to r.: Luana Henderson, Mary Lambert, Richard A. Lambert, LeRoy Peterson, Ruth Peterson, Garn S. Henderson. Snapped at November meeting of Sugar House Chapter.

Temple Fork Chapter, SUP (Logan) at Pioneer Village Museum for unveiling of Heber J. Grant Collection, Sunday, Nov. 25. Seated, l to r.: Mrs. Charles (Lora) Cazier, Mrs. Raymond (Wanda) Woodbury, Mrs. Irwin S. (Delsa) Thomson. Standing: Charles B. Cazier (Immediate Past President), Raymond Woodbury, Irwin S. Thomson, President.

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The Brass Kettle

The brass kettle was brought across the plains from Connecticut, by Grandpa and Grandma Benedict. It held about half a barrel of water. It was set up on bricks out by the orchard—the irrigation ditch ran close by. When the water was muddy it had to settle in barrels before being used for laundry. Then the kettle was filled, a fire built underneath, lye poured in to break the water and resulting scum dipped off. As soon as the water was warm it was lifted into two tubs that stood on a bench. That was for first and second rubbing. Then carry water to refill the kettle once more. After white clothes had been rubbed thru two waters they were put to boil in the kettle. Meantime the colored clothes were rubbed. Then the water was emptied and the tubs filled from the barrel. As white clothes came to boil they were lifted out of the kettle by twisting them around the end of a long clothes stick, draining the hot water out and dropping them into a bucket, then emptying into the rinse water. Papa turned the wringer.

Rinse, blue, starch, hang out—those clothes were snowy white.

Every spring mama made soap. All waste kitchen fat had been saved and stored in cans thru the winter. Come soapmaking day the brass kettle held the center of the stage. All the accumulated fats were emptied into it, the fire burned and the grease bubbled. It reminded me of the witch's brew. Her children could not possibly have smelled worse than our soap. When the grease was clarified lye was added and when it boiled up thick, Mama would dip some out and test it, like candy. When finally it was done and cool enough to handle it was poured into tubs to harden, cut into squares, and stored away with other supplies.

Papa used the brass kettle at pig killing time to heat water to scald the pigs.

Although the old kettle has been replaced by modern equipment it is still as sturdy as when it was made a hundred years ago.

The Meeting House

The Meeting House was just up the hill from our home. It still stands—a monument to pioneer builders.

In winter it served as a school house—one large room with a big, round stove in the center. A curtain divided it. There were two teachers and eight grades. The meeting house was also our amusement hall. A high platform was built across one end. That was "The Stand on Sunday," the "Stage for home dramatics," and the "Bandstand for the dances." I remember on one occasion when the stand caused great humiliation to Brother H. A funeral was being conducted and Brother H. was called to pronounce the benediction. In his earnestness he moved forward right off the stand and fell full length beside the casket.

When I was a child Fast Day was the first Thursday of each month. Fast Meeting was held from 2 to 4 P.M. I remember how famished we all were.

On sunny, summer afternoons Mama, Genie, and I would walk up to the Meeting House. There we would have a "program." Each number was ostentatiously announced. The performance of Miss Genie Neff and Miss Elaine Neff was endured and passively applauded by us. (Mama clapped vigorously). Then came the headliner—Miss Lizzie Neff. Her act was always new, screamingly funny. She came back for one, sometimes two encores.

A father and son twosome at Grant Day Ceremonies, Nov. 25, l. to r.: United States Senator from Utah, Wallace F. Bennett and son Wallace G. Bennett.

Every spring and fall Mr. Russell, with his wife and family, came from town in a large, covered wagon, and gave a magic lantern show in the meeting house. Mr. Russell had lost both arms. He was very dexterous in the use of hooks. The family aways had supper and breakfast with us. In return every one of us received a complimentary ticket to the show. That ticket to me was more impressive than the show itself.

Brother Tuckett taught singing school. There was a small tuition for the winter season. If we couldn't sing well we sang loud. I remember sitting in the old meeting house and shouting

Oh! the sing-ing schule beautiful
Oh! the sing-ing schule beautiful
If I had you for a teacher
I would be a happy creature
For I dote upon the sing-ing schule.

Brother Tuckett had red hair and made jokes. But sometimes his temper flared.

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The Orchard

Springtime in our orchard was breathtakingly lovely. In quick succession came blooms of apricot, peach, cherry, pear, apple and quince. Each in its turn seemed loveliest. I grieved when they fell. The big quince blossoms, with their faint tinge of pink were my favorites.

Yellow dandelions carpeted the orchard. It was a pleasant place to play—making dandelion chains or rhubarb hats trimmed with real flowers.

Under the apple trees papa had his cider press. We children gathered the apples while he ground and pressed them into cider. No bribe ever tempted me to taste that apple juice. I was convinced that many worms were incorporated into its making. The cider was poured into a barrel, previously soaked in the creek. There it soured into vinegar. Mama always rinsed the preserving kettle, pouring the sweetened water into the vinegar barrel. That helped it to sour.

Grandma set up her fruit drying equipment in the orchard. It consisted of planks laid across saw-horses. She would take a low chair, a pan and her paring knife. There she would patiently work for hours on end paring, slicing and spreading the fruit. It was

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covered with wire or cheese cloth and left to dry, then stored in flour sacks. Was there ever such delicious sauce as those dried apples made?

The beehives were at the back of the orchard. Brother Fagg used to come and extract the honey. He wore mosquito netting over his hat and tucked into his shirt. It looked very funny with his red hair. You wondered how anyone could be so brave, but he actually sang as he emptied their pantry, and the bees hummed an accompaniment. Wasps and hornets liked our orchard, too. One day my sister Genie climbed high in a cherry tree where she encountered a hornet's nest. I ran for cover, but poor Genie was cruelly stung. She wore mud plasters all that day.

Papa did all his own budding and grafting. He raised very fine fruit. He used to take the fruit to market in the light wagon and had his regular customers. The choicest of the crop he took to the tithing office. The strawberries and currants brought a good price.

Our orchard was a lovely place.

PAY YOUR 1957 DUES NOW!

All membership dues in the Sons of Utah Pioneers expire at midnight, December 31st. We hope you have anticipated this and have already sent your 1957 dues to the treasurer of your chapter. If you have not already done so please do not put it off any longer. Pay your dues now and get your new, 1957 membership card.

The National Office adjusts its paid-up membership record January 31st, and removes from the roster all delinquent names. These names are then placed in a "static" file and held. As delinquent memberships are received during February and later months, the name is removed from the "static" file and placed again in the "current paid-up" file and on the mailing list to receive the SUP News.

The SUP News is not mailed to any delinquent Son after February 1st.

Moral: Pay your chapter dues as soon as possible. Do not run the risk of missing a single issue of the News. Back numbers are already collector's items . . . hard to get.

ACTIVE CHAPTERS MEET AND EAT

The past three weeks have seen some very fine chapter meetings, and chapter meetings are the spice of SUP life.

Thursday, November 15, saw the mid-winter ladies' night of the Temple Quarry Chapter at the Lion House, under the able direction of President Marlon S. Bateman. A delicious banquet was served to some 35 members and their ladies. Excellent music was provided and the feature of the meeting was a special illustrated talk on the military tactics and accumen of Major Lott Smith, presented by the famous scout's grandson, A Lavell Smith of Ogden, who incidentally is our National Judge Advocate. Al showed by map and slide how Grandpa Lott almost singlehandedly stood off the entire Johnston's Army in the bitter winter of 1857, without firing a single shot, yet destroying three large wagon trains of supplies, accounting for over 70 wagons in a single train. (Its fantastic but true . . . and if any chapter wants a bang-up program sometime, ask Al Smith to talk about Grandpa.)

Small Wendy Cannon watches with interest as Brother Clifford E. Young signs guest book at Pioneer Village Museum during the Grant Day ceremonies, Nov. 25, 1956.

Our Big Deseret Chapter met at the Village Thursday nite, November 29 for their annual meeting and election of officers. The following officers were elected: President, Fred Evans; Vice President, Vern Hales; Secretary-Treasurer, Frank Harris, Jr. President Wm. L. Woolf was warmly praised for his splendid leadership of the chapter during the past year.

Entertainment was provided by the 4J's quartet of the university and Dr. G. Homer Durham spoke on Wilford Woodruff and the political scene of 1890. President Horace A. Sorensen briefed the chapter on the progess and goals of Pioneer Village Museum. 38 were in attendance.

Lehi Chapter also met on November 29 at the home of Dr. W. L. Worlton. A fine program had been arranged and was climaxed by the usual supper.

President's night was held in Garland the night of December 10 by our Golden Spike Chapter, under the gifted supervision of President Frank Munns.

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Preliminary surveys have already been made of the possibility of moving the original Pony Express Buildings from such famous stations as Simpson Springs, Boyds, Willow Springs, etc., but it seems the expedient thing will be to locate a long, low log house situated much nearer the Village and then put it on skids and haul it in.

Once on the museum grounds it will be properly restored and refurnished with stone fireplace, wall bunks, gun rack, native pine flag pole and horse hitching post and watering trough.

Inside will be displayed Pony Express art, including authentic photos, drawings, documents, and horse equipment of the Pony Express era. Saddles, a mochila, bits, spurs, Winchesters, Colt pistols, boots, bridles, saddle blankets, branding irons, bowie knives, and authentic trail markers.

It is understood the Pony Express Chapter will get right on this and have everything in apple pie order come March 1st, when we open the museum to the public.

A short biography of the Howard Egan Pony Express Chapter follows:

Meets: 2nd Thursday of each month.

Where: South Salt Lake City Auditorium 7:30 P.M.

Regular Weekly Drill Practice, Salt Lake County Fair Grounds, every Friday, 7:30 P.M.

Meals: Vary. Members are advised beforehand of special costs.

Dues: $65 first year. Thereafter, $12.50 per year ($10 for chapter and $2.50 for National Society.)

Officers: Lyle A. Larsen, president, 12924 S. 1800 W., Riverton; Elwood Williams, vice president, 1617 E. 9400 S., Sandy; Aaron Jenkins, secretary, 320 Pioneer St., Midvale; Elmer P. Winn, treasurer, 7508 Wasatch Blvd., Sandy; Carl Meyers, historian, 6243 S. 7th W., Murray; O. N. Woods, property manager, 2376 S. West Temple, Salt Lake City; Orin B. Black, chaplain, 5514 Avalon Dr., Murray; Roy P. Greenwood, drill master, 5548 Avalon Dr., Murray; A. Fred Dipo, business manager, 5107 Holladay Blvd., Salt Lake City.

The chapter appeared at the Elks' Helldarado in Las Vegas last summer, for the fourth consecutive time and also won first place for the fourth consecutive time. They rode in the Days of '47 Rodeo and in the July 24th parade in Salt Lake City, as they always do, and annually participate in the Utah State Riding Club Association, District 3 meet and in the Interstate Riding Club Association which was held this year at Heber City.

(Editor's Note: Plans for the 1960 run of the "Pony" from St. Joe to Sacramento are just a few months away from "jelling," and we are anxious that all "old line" mounted posses in the State rally with the SUP in "running" the Utah stations from East to West.)

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REPORT FROM MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Paul W. Jones, chairman of our national membership committee reports bang-up progress throughout the state. New chapters are in progress of organization in: Monticello, Blanding, Moab, Delta, Tooele, Plain City. Others will be initiated in January and February. Our goal is "A Thousand New Members Before Encampment in July."

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STORIES ABOUT US.

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We mean our own life stories. **Auto**biographies do not write themselves. A guiding hand is needed — which is true with **auto**mobiles, too.

What are we Sons doing about it? Only a few auto (ought to) biographies have reached National headquarters. How many more are in the files of the chapter historians? Should we not be getting this very important work done, not only because our National officers have requested it but also because we may put it off too long and lose a golden opportunity to please and to serve.

A life story could be the most fascinating tale in the world. We come to this planet created in three dimensions and move through the fourth dimension, Time. We become a part of all we meet; and we react upon our environment. We enjoy stories and pictures about others but probably most about ourselves and kinsmen. Each one of us has a story, and pictures, that our 'offspring' here and coming will love to read and admire. Pen, typewriter, camera, phonograph, tape recorder, are tools we can use today to make our stories glow.

How long should such a story be? A thousand words can tell a good deal. We should give major attention to such questions as: (a) Who am I; parentage, birth, marriage . . . (b) Where I am; and former places of abode, travels . . (c) What I do; occupations, hobbies, education, degrees, positions . . . (d) What am I; aspirations, beliefs, code . . . height, weight, complexion.

Autobiographies can be enriched by photographs taken at different ages. Use close-ups; also full length views to show our length, width—whether lean or leaning toward obesity.

Let's find those pictures taken at five years, at fifteen years and compare them with our sons' pictures at five and fifteen; the resemblances are striking. We want them in our stories.

How many words do we speak in a year? In a lifetime? How many would be worth recording?. (Do we believe that every word is recorded somewhere?) Well, for our posterity we can prepare an accurate, pleasing tale, punctuated, perhaps, with a song, a joke and give it to a recording device. The disc, the tape, will be durable and will increase in value with age, as pictures do.

An effective method of diagramming an autobiography is a "Time line." Try marking a ten inch line along each margin of an 8½ by 11 page, and divide it into 5 year intervals one inch apart. Start with the year of birth, 1900 for example; 1905, 1910 and so on to about 1975. Mark on it the important events as recorded in the life stories. For the years ahead we shall want to mark, 1961, the Pony Express Centennial, the Golden Wedding date . . .

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Sons, let's get our autobiographies written (in or by) 1957.

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